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## **San Diego Police Department**

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### **POLICE MAKE ARREST IN 2007 SKYLINE NEIGHBORHOOD MURDER**

**San Diego Police Homicide Unit detectives have arrested a suspect in the October 31, 2007 murder of 32 year-old Vidal Balderas, Jr.**

**On October 31, 2007, at about 7:48 p.m., Vidal Balderas, Jr. was standing in front of his home in the 100 block of Coolwater Drive. Witnesses in the neighborhood heard gunshots and saw Balderas struggling with a male suspect. Witnesses saw the suspect shoot Balderas a number of times and run from the area. Officers responded to the report of a shooting. When they arrived they found Balderas suffering from a number of gunshots. The officers began CPR until relieved by paramedics however Balderas died at the scene.**

**After a lengthy investigation, detectives identified an 18 year-old man (who was 15 years-old at the time) as the suspect responsible for Balderas' death. This morning detectives arrested the suspect at his home in the Jamicha/Lomita area of San Diego. The suspect was booked into San Diego County Jail.**